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Title: SUBSTRATE HOLDING APPARATUS AND SUBSTRATE POLISHING APPARATUS

of which is described and claimed in:

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Japan	231892/2000	July 31, 2000	Yes
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